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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency Web site. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In July 2009 the Medical Commission released physician **Geoffrey S. Ames** (MD00026961) from terms and conditions set against his license. Dr. Ames' license is unrestricted.

In July 2009 the Medical Commission charged physician **John C. Perry** (MD00025747) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly violated the standard of care while treating patients.

In June 2009 the Health Care Assistant Program denied the application of **Nina M. Williams** (HC00155223). She was convicted of attempted theft.

Chelan County

In July 2009 the Dental Commission released dentist **David Stephen Larson** (DE00004228) from terms and conditions set against his license.

Cowlitz County

In July 2009 the Registered Counselor Program terminated the order of probation against **Olivia E. Lovely** (RC00023999).

Ferry County

In July 2009 the X-Ray Technician Program charged **Kirsten L. Schilling** (XT00005869) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions on her license.

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Island County

In July 2009 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **William J. Slater** (NC10098536) with unprofessional conduct. He was convicted of assault — domestic violence, and allegedly failed to follow a patient's care plan resulting in patient harm. He also allegedly failed to respond to department inquiries about the conviction and allegation.

Jefferson County

In July 2009 the Emergency Medical Technician Program released **Joseph J. Rodrigues** (ES60033615) from terms and conditions set against his license.

King County

In July 2009 the Dental Commission released dentist **Yonghwan Kim** (DE00009083) from terms and conditions set against his license.

In July 2009 the Dental Commission released dentist **Justin S. Lee** (DE00009014) from terms and conditions set against his license.

In July 2009 the Dental Commission charged dentist **James R. McAnally** (DE00007153) with unprofessional conduct. The care he provided allegedly fell below the standard while treating more than one patient. He also allegedly placed an advertisement in the paper and failed to include his name.

In July 2009 the Dental Commission entered into an agreed order with dentist **William M. Sutton** (DE00004138). The care he provided fell below the standard while treating two patients. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Kitsap County

In July 2009 the Dental Commission granted the application of dental assistant **Sharon R. Krauser** (D160030696) and placed her license on probation for four years. She was convicted of child rape and child molestation and must comply with terms and conditions against her license.

Mason County

In July 2009 the Nursing Commission reinstated the license of registered nurse **Dean P. DeMulling** (RN00085868).

In July 2009 the Nursing Assistant Program charged **Brandy N. Torrella** (NA00168094) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of conspiracy to commit wire fraud, wire fraud, and aggravated identity theft. She allegedly didn't respond to agency inquiries about the convictions.

Pierce County

In July 2009 the Registered Counselor Program charged **Cynthia J. Berry** (RC00051466) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly sold one of her patients a car, and created a fraudulent bill of sale/contract.

In June 2009 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **Charron D. Shinn** (NA00076703). She was convicted of theft.

In July 2009 the Registered Counselor and Sex Offender Treatment Provider Programs placed the registration and certification of **Lang Taylor** (RC00006893, FC00000022) on probation for three years. He failed to provide timely and accurate quarterly progress reports to the community corrections officer for three clients, and provided a report for a client that was identical to the prior two reports. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his registration and certification.

Snohomish County

In July 2009 the Registered Counselor Program granted the application of **Heather A. Black-Coyne** (RC60062703) and placed her registration on probation for two years. She was convicted of hindering prosecution, interfering with a police officer, and theft on more than one occasion. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In July 2009 the Podiatric Medical Board released **John H. Brunsman** (PO00000246) from the terms and conditions set against his license.

In July 2009 the Medical Commission released physician **Jeffrey R. Merrill** (MD00032282) from terms and conditions set against his license. Dr. Merrill's license is unrestricted.

Spokane County

In July 2009 the Board of Physical Therapy granted the application of physical therapist assistant **Michael W. Allen** (P160041002) and placed conditions on his license. He was convicted of reckless endangerment, physical control, and driving under the influence on more than one occasion. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In July 2009 the Nursing Assistant Program entered into an agreed order with certified nursing assistant **Jessie N. Bailey** (NC10092611). She used legend drugs without a prescription. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

In July 2009 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the reactivation request of **Abbigail K. Cook** (NA00158529). She was convicted of driving under the influence, and failed to respond to department inquiries about the conviction.

In July 2009 the Registered Counselor Program modified the agreed order against **Deborah C. Olin** (RC60039227) and placed her registration on probation for three years. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Thurston County

In July 2009 the Health Care Assistant Program granted the application of **Alexander Charles Ewing** (HC60062110) and placed his license on probation for three years. He was convicted of vehicular homicide.

In July 2009 the Hypnotherapy Program terminated the order of probation against **Thomas J. Ward** (HP10001650).

Walla Walla County

In July 2009 the Medical Commission placed the license of physician **Dale T. Fetroe** (MD00018950) on probation for five years. He had a sexual relationship with a patient, and prescribed medications to a patient without examining or keeping a medical record or chart. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Whatcom County

In July 2009 the Dental Commission released dentist **Edwin R. Thorp** (DE00004724) from terms and conditions set against his license.

Out of State

Alaska: In July 2009 the Medical Commission charged physician **Marc D. Pellicciaro** (MD00036813) with unprofessional conduct. He voluntarily surrendered his license to practice as a physician in the state of Alaska.

Oregon: In July 2009 the Medical Commission released physician **Stanley B. Teplick** (MD00032297) from terms and conditions set against his license. Dr. Teplick's license is unrestricted.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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